

# Regatta Conditions



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| <b>Date</b>    | Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> February to Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 |
| <b>Regatta</b> | 2023 New Zealand Rowing Championships                                |
| <b>From</b>    | Mark Weatherall – GM Community and Development                       |

## Regatta Venue

The 2023 New Zealand Rowing Championships are to be held at Lake Ruataniwha, Twizel.

## Regatta Date

Racing will commence at 8am on Tuesday 14 February 2023 and continue through to Saturday 18 February 2023 with heats, repechages and semi-finals as required

## Boat Types

The Regatta will provide races for the following boat types:

- a) Single Scull
- b) Double Scull
- c) Quadruple Scull with Coxswain
- d) Quadruple Scull without Coxswain
- e) Pair Oar without Coxswain
- f) Four Oar with Coxswain
- g) Four Oar without Coxswain
- h) Eight Oar with Coxswain

## Classifications / Grades Contested

The Regatta will provide racing in the following classifications or grades for both male and female event genders:

- a) Novice Classification
- b) Intermediate Classification
- c) Club Classification
- d) Senior Classification
- e) Premier Classification
- f) Open Para Class – covers all sub-classifications.

## Showcase Events

“Showcase” events are exhibition events for the purposes of the Rules of Racing. They are subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a) Competitors do not require a competition licence to be entered into a Showcase event.
- b) Late entries will be accepted for Showcase events until midday Wednesday 15 February 2023.
- c) Showcase events are not subject to the composite rule (Rule 18). Composites can be entered for any Showcase event. When a composite crew is entered for a Showcase event, Local Association approval is not required.
- d) Showcase events SC1 to SC3 will be held on Thursday 16 February, SC4 to SC7 on Friday 17 February and SC8 to SC11 on Saturday 18 February.
- e) Crew members in Showcase events should wear the colours of their club but may wear non-registered colours provided they are similar within the crew.
- f) Coxswains do not have to weigh in for Showcase events.
- g) There will be no held start for Showcase events and times may not be recorded.
- h) Showcase events are not eligible for Rule 7.2.(b).Programme Structure

The regatta is in block format. Competitors should only enter one event per block. Competitors who enter more than one event in a block do so with no guarantee there will be sufficient time for them to complete multiple events. Regatta Control will ignore rower clashes within blocks.

Although the regatta is scheduled with gaps between block, those gaps may need to be removed if the schedule has to be compressed. Competitors, especially coxswains, should therefore avoid entering events that are in close proximity across the gap between blocks.

#### Fees (ex GST)

|                                  |      |               |       |
|----------------------------------|------|---------------|-------|
| Eights                           | \$64 | Fours / Quads | \$54  |
| Pairs / Doubles                  | \$46 | Singles       | \$36  |
| Amenity Fees<br>(per competitor) | \$40 |               |       |
| <i>Other Fees</i>                |      |               |       |
| Did Not Start                    | \$60 |               |       |
| Race Protest                     | \$50 | Tent site     | \$375 |

Showcase events participants will not incur any fees for 2023.

#### Course Description

All Championship races will be held on an 8 lane, straight course with a held start. Showcase events may be held on 10 lanes. The water for all intents and purposes is to be considered as still and without flow.

#### Distance

The Distance of all Championship races except Para races shall be 2000m. Para events shall be raced over 1000m. Showcase events shall be 1000m or 500m or 250m depending on the event.

#### Rowed Code



ROWED CODE | LAKE RUATANIWHA

#### Eligibility to Enter

Entry to events at this regatta other than "Showcase" events is open to all members of Rowing Clubs affiliated to the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc. who have a current Competition Licence.

Entry to "Showcase" events is open to licensed or unlicensed competitors who are currently members or have been members of a rowing club affiliated to the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc.

Entry into the "Draft" is restricted to coxswains and Premier and Senior ability grade rowers.

#### Entry

Entries close at 10pm on Wednesday 1 February 2023 via the rowIT website. All Championship events crews (excluding Men's and Women's Premier Quads and Eights "Draft" crews) must be received by the due date. Showcase events however will have late entries accepted up until 12pm Wednesday 15 February 2023.

Entry for Premier Eights and Quads will also be available via nomination for "The Draft". Nominations are accepted through the RNZ website and must be completed by 10pm Wednesday 1 February 2023. The Draft crew selection will be conducted in accordance with Appendix B. The crews will be announced on Wednesday 15th February and via RNZ communication platforms.

### **Composite Crews**

Composite crews are allowed as per the rule and the crew will be known by as a composite of the club of record that submits the entry. With the exception of crews selected in the Draft, the composite entry must be submitted by one club represented within the crew who will also take responsibility for all fees and charges associated with the crew. The required Association approvals should be sent to [kate@rowingnz.kiwi](mailto:kate@rowingnz.kiwi) by midday Sunday 12 February 2023.

### **Supplementary Entries**

Supplementary Entries are limited late entries that may be accepted for this regatta to fill vacant lanes on such terms and conditions as advised at the time of calling for such entries. Events with 3 or fewer entries will not be opened for supplementary entries.

### **Minimum Number of Entries**

If, at the close of entries there is only one entry in an event, the event will be withdrawn from the program.

### **Secretary's Office**

The Secretary's office will be open by phone or email from 9am on Sunday morning and every following morning 60 minutes prior to the scheduled start time and remain until 60 minutes after the last race of the day.

### **Qualification System**

Entry into this regatta is to Finals only.

In the situation where there are more entries than places in the Final, a qualification system shall be used to determine the Finalists for the Finals. The Qualification system will be a modified FISA system (based on heat and/or repechage and/or semi-finals placings).

In the case of eight or fewer entries:

- a) Participation in the preliminary heat is optional;
- b) Crews that chose to opt out shall do so by advising Regatta Control at least 60 minutes before the race;
- c) A crew that opts out of a preliminary heat is considered to have raced for the purposes of Rule 46.8 (substitutions);
- d) A crew that has not opted out and fails to start its preliminary race does not qualify for the finals;
- e) If only one crew remains to contest a preliminary heat it will be given the option between completing a row-over or progressing to the centre lane of the final; and
- f) As preliminary heats are used for lane allocation for finals, any crew not finishing the preliminary heats (excluding any crew that was Excluded or Disqualified) will be randomly drawn to an outside lane for the final.

### **Maximum number of crews per race**

Generally, races will be limited to a maximum of eight crews, but in exceptional circumstances as determined by the Race Committee this may be extended to nine crews.

Showcase Events may be up to ten crews.

For Premier and U22 events Rowing NZ may extend the B Finals up to nine crews or hold more minor finals for small boats if required and possible.

### **Medals and Trophies**

Medals for the Championship events will be awarded to the first, second and third crews from New Zealand.

One medal is available to be presented to the coach of each crew that is awarded a medal.

Showcase events will not receive medals or titles.

The trophies being competed for are listed in Appendix A.

### **Standards**

All events shall be rowed according to the NZRA Rules of Racing 2021. The regatta shall be governed by applicable Articles of the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc. Constitution. Further: this regatta shall be conducted in strict accordance with the Rowing NZ Water Safety Code and the conditions of South Island Rowing Inc.

### **Approvals**

Rowing NZ has approved this programme along with the Regatta Conditions.

### **Safety**

Safe practices are to be used at all times. Safety equipment is available for the regatta only. The minimum safety requirements are

defined in the NZRA Water Safety Code 2016.

The Safety Briefing for all clubs is compulsory to attend and will take place by Zoom as advertised to entrants.

For showcase events it is the responsibility of the participants club or club loaning them boats (for more casual members) to ensure the participants have been informed of all the safety information.

While the Lake is closed for the regatta, any use of the lake is subject to the Environment Canterbury Navigation Safety Bylaw 2016, the NZRA Water Safety Code 2016 and the Maritime Rules (MSA 91) and SIR Safety and Risk Management Plan.

### Flag Signals

**Green:** Regatta is on. **Yellow:** Regatta postponed. **Red:** Course Closed.

### Caution

The safety of all participants is of prime importance and every effort is made to accommodate the wishes of rowers. We have found from experience that the weather plays an important role in the sport and the associated safety impact should not be underestimated. Training time will be available on Monday from 8am weather permitting. A red flag will be flown if the course is closed. This signifies that there are no safety facilities available on the course and no monitoring of any activities on the water. Anyone attempting to train on the Lake at that time does so at their own risk and are subject to the Maritime Rules.

### Training

The course is defined as the area that is on the finish side of the start line and the start side of the finish line. It also extends from the finish line to the launch area. Movement patterns are defined in the "ROWED CODE" pictured previously. The course is closed for all training from 30 minutes before the first race until 30 minutes after the last race each day.

Training on the course prior to the regatta start and outside racing hours will only be permitted at the times agreed by the Chief Umpire and Organising Committee. At those times, there will be safety boats patrolling the course only and crews are expected to follow the direction of racing. Times will be advised by the Regatta Secretary and indicated by the flag signal at regatta control.

All crews must follow the prescribed training pattern. Training on the Lake During the regatta is restricted to that area west of the boat launch area. Every boat wishing to train must be accompanied by a fully equipped safety boat (See SIR Safety and Risk Management Plan).

All training will be subject to the Environment Canterbury Navigation Safety Bylaw 2016, the NZRA Water Safety Code 2016 and the Maritime Rules (MSA 91). Any Crew breaking these training rules may receive a penalty including disqualification from the Regatta.

### Substitutes

Substitutes are subject to NZRA Rules 45 and must be advised to the Regatta Control via the Regatta Secretary at least 60 minutes before the first race for the event in which the crew is entered.

### Scratchings / Non-starters

Scratchings or withdrawal of crews must be advised to Regatta Control at least 60 minutes before the scheduled start of the crew's race. Failure to do so will result in the crew being recorded as a Did Not Start and the appropriate penalty levied.

*Did Not Start Penalty:* A crew that has been drawn to start in the heat (including a preliminary heat) of an event, but which does not take part in that race, shall be deemed to be a late scratching for the purpose of this condition and its Club shall incur a Did Not Start penalty of \$60 + GST.

Crews that are scratched less than 60 minutes before the advertised start time of their race shall be recorded as a Did Not Start and shall incur a Did Not Start penalty of \$60 + GST.

### Numbers

All boats must carry their correct Lane Number (Alpha-Numeric) as supplied by the regatta organisers. The number displayed must be that designated in the draw and must read correctly to Judges during racing. No other numbers will be permitted.

### Coxswain's Life Jacket

All must wear an approved type of life jacket at all times whether racing or training. The life jacket is to be suitable for the coxswain's size and weight, in good condition, and worn outside all other clothing. Self-inflating or automatic-inflating life jackets are not acceptable. Penalty for non-compliance will result in the crew being removed from the race or possibly the event.

### Proceeding to the Start

All crews must proceed to the start on the inside of the course (nearest to the shore) unless specifically directed (See Course Map). Crews must not proceed to the start on the course or cross the course when a race is in progress.

### **Non-Start Returns**

For safety reasons, non-starters must return to the Boat Park on the regatta course as directed by a Race Official

### **Photography**

By entering this regatta under these conditions, Clubs agree to having audio recordings, photographs, videos and/or other images taken of their competitors, supporters, volunteers and coaches during the regatta, and that they may be used (both print and electronic) for promotional or editorial purposes in connection with this event or future events, by Rowing NZ and their partners, South Island Rowing and their partners and media.

### **Compliance with Part 101 of the CAA Rules**

No drones are permitted at this regatta except for drones operated as part of regatta management in agreement with Rowing NZ.

Pursuant to Rule 101.207(a)(1)(i) CAA Rules, participation in this regatta either as a competitor or as an official or volunteer shall be deemed to be consenting to be under any unmanned or remotely piloted aircraft operated by South Island Rowing Inc. or any of its agents or contractors.

### **Postponement or Cancellation**

The Regatta Organising Committee shall be under no obligation to refund any fees whatsoever as a result of the postponement or cancellation of the regatta for whatsoever reason. Rowing is an outdoor sport and as such is subject to the weather being suitable on any given day to conduct the regatta in a safe and responsible manner.

### **Disclaimer**

South Island Rowing Inc. reminds all rowing organisations and rowers participating in this Regatta that while every care will be taken by the regatta officials to ensure that the regatta is conducted safely and efficiently in accordance with the Rules of Racing established by the New Zealand Rowing Association, it is the responsibility of clubs/schools to ensure that those rules are complied with and of the rowers to comply with them to ensure safe rowing activity.

Further, it is a condition of participation in this regatta that all participants accept and note that no liability either in tort or any other nature whatsoever is accepted by or will attach to the New Zealand Rowing Association Inc. or South Island Rowing Inc. for any harm, damage, loss, costs, expenses, inconvenience, interference of whatever nature and whatever kind including any damage to equipment or injury to persons of whatever nature incurred in the course of or in connection with or in any way related to the regatta regardless of whether any error or omission, wrongdoing, oversight, negligence or other tort whatsoever on the part of any regatta official or other person may be established.

**Appendix A -Trophies**

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| Men's Championship Single                 | Sir Bernard Freyberg Cup<br>James R Hill Trophy             |
| Men's Championship Double                 | WA Stevenson Trophy<br>JM Dempster Cup                      |
| Men's Championship Quad                   | West End Trophy   |
| Men's Championship Coxless Pair           | AW Newton Memorial Cup                                      |
| Men's Championship Coxless Four           | Boss Rooster<br>Robert Cashman Trophy<br>Rolf Porter Trophy |
| Men's Championship Eight                  | Sun Cup<br>Rub's Rooster<br>Alan Boykett Trophy             |
| Women's Championship Single               | Cato Cup<br>Stephanie Foster Trophy                         |
| Women's Championship Double               | CH Hilliard Cup   |
| Women's Championship Quad                 | Milne Cup   |
| Women's Championship Coxless Pair         | Paterson Cup  |
| Men's Championship Coxless Four           | Skelton Cup   |
| Men's Championship Eight                  | Max Smith Ruataniwha Trophy<br>Horowhenua Rosebowl          |
| Men's Senior Eight                        | Charlie Flanagan Trophy for Men                             |
| Men's Senior Coxless Four                 | Bob Hampton Memorial Trophy                                 |
| Men's Senior Coxless Pair                 | Michael Rozijn Memorial Cup                                 |
| Men's Senior Single                       | James Trophy  |
| Women's Senior Eight                      | Charlie Flanagan Trophy for Women                           |
| Women's Senior Four                       | Rowing New Zealand Trophy<br>Boss Hen                       |
| Top Club in All Events                    | Centennial Oar  |
| Top Club in Sculling Events               | Centennial Scull  |
| Top Local Association in Eight Oar Events | Hallyburton Johnstone Rosebowl                              |
| Male Rowing of the Year                   | Clarrie Healey Cup  |
| Female Rower of the Year                  | Champions Cup   |
| Coach of the Year                         | Lud Brooker Memorial Salver                                 |

## **Appendix B - Premier Eights and Quads “Draft” System**

### **Pre-Event**

- Rowing NZ call for individual nominations for the Premier 4x- and Premier 8+ when entries open. Nominations close when regatta entries close.
- Coxswains who wish to nominate will be asked to complete a separate nomination form.
- Eligible rowers must be Senior grade and above.
- Current erg score, a profile photo and recent on-water results will be collected and provided to the crew captains. If choosing sweep then side/both preference is also collected. This is used for both selections and the announcement at the Draught at The Draft function.
- Competitors are able to put themselves forward for one or both draft events. The Premier 4x is in Block 5 and the Premier 8+ is in Block 6. However, these races have been moved to be slightly later than the block races to enable rowers to do both a Senior event and The Draft if they so choose.
- Coxswains are to be included in The Draft. It is up to the discretion of the captains to determine when coxswains are chosen.
- There will be four eights and six quads in each event. Empty lanes can be filled by other entries into these events. If there are more than eight entries in total, progression will be run for the non-Draft crews during the week.
- RNZ will arrange the boats for The Draft crews with the support of clubs.
- Rowers can enter more than one race in blocks 5 and 6. However, rowers cannot enter the same event twice, so will need to choose between entering The Draft or a non-Draft entry in each eight/quad event.

### **The Draft Crew Selection**

- The first six rowers across the line in the Premier 1x heats that have nominated for the draft will be team captains for the Premier 4x draft crews. i.e. if there is one heat, top six, if two heats then three from each etc.
- The first four rowers across the line in the Premier 2- heats that have nominated for the draft will be team captains for the Premier 8+ draft crews.
- If rowers qualifying to be team captains have nominated for the Draft they must be team captains. If they chose to drop out from the draft they cannot be selected by other captains and the next fastest in the heats becomes a team captain.
- Selection occurs on the Tuesday in a selection meeting with the team captains. The team captains will select nominated athletes one at a time in the order of 1, 2, 3, 4, 4, 3, 2, 1 etc.

### **Draught at the Draft function**

- The selected crews will be announced at the Draught at the Draft function which will be held TBN on the Wednesday night.
- The athlete profiles will be displayed and the crews assembled at the event and these will be released online etc